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FOR: BASE PAN AND CABINET FOR AN

AIR CONDITIONER

La Crosse, Wisconsin April 26, 2004 I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

Applicant's are in receipt of a Restriction Requirement mailed 04/08/2004 in the above-referenced U.S. Patent application. The Examiner identifies two inventions, Invention (I.) being said to be drawn to a cabinet assembly, as claimed in claims 26-27, and Invention (II.) being drawn to a method of assembling a cabinet for an air conditioner, as claimed in claims 28-37.

Applicant's hereby elect to prosecute claims 28-37 relating to Invention (II.), as claimed in claims 28-37, without traverse.

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